

MINUTES

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Kincaid called the meeting to order. The following members were present: Council Members Emily Berge, Jill Christopherson, Jeremy Gragert, Kerry Kincaid, David Strobel, Terry Weld, Andrew Werthmann and Michael Xiong.

Council Members absent: Emily Anderson, Kate Beaton and Catherine Emmanuelle.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, May 8, 2018:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving Minutes of the April 17, 2018 Organizational Meeting and the April 24, 2018 Regular Meeting.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt beverage license to Eau Claire Events, Andrew Ottum, President, on June 2 & 3, 2018, at Halfmoon Park, 615 Randall Street, for the Eau Claire Triathlon.
- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage license to Eau Claire City/County Tavern League, Dino Amundson, President, on May 18, 2018, at 199 Carson Park Drive, for the Rivalz Blondes vs Brunettes event.
- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Temporary Class B Wine license to Chippewa Valley After Hours Rotary Club, Andrew Neborak, President, on June 3, 2018, at Phoenix Park, 330 River Front Terrace, for Taste of the Valley.
- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Temporary Class B Wine license to Regis Catholic Schools, Inc., Mark Gobler, President, on June 22 & 23, 2018, at Regis Catholic School, 2100 Fenwick Avenue, for the Regis All Class Reunion.
- Authorizing the Eau Claire Patriotic Council to conduct the Memorial Day Parade and Program on Monday, May 28, 2018, along city streets and sidewalks.
- Authorizing the Leader-Telegram and the Chippewa Valley After Hours Rotary Club to conduct the Taste of the Valley on Sunday, June 3, 2018, in Phoenix Park.
- Authorizing Eau Claire Events to conduct the Eau Claire Triathlon on June 1- 2, 2018, at Half Moon Lake Beach and along city streets and sidewalks.
- Authorizing the Community Services Department to accept a donation from Festival Foods for the July 4, 2018 fireworks display.
- Awarding a contract for Procurement No. 2018-20, City Wide Alley Improvements.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Strobel and seconded by Council Member Weld "to adopt the consent resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

PROCLAMATIONS

President Kincaid read a proclamation calling upon all citizens of Eau Claire and upon all patriotic, civil and educational organizations to observe the week of May 13-19, 2018 as Police Week in the City of Eau Claire and urging citizens to recognize Peace Officers Memorial Day, May 15, with appropriate ceremonies commemorating police officers, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered a dedicated service to their community.

President Kincaid read a proclamation proclaiming the week of May 20-26, 2018, as Emergency Medical Services Week and encouraging the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

President Kincaid read a proclamation proclaiming the week of May 12-19, 2018 as Creative Economy Week in the City of Eau Claire, and encouraging citizens to celebrate and promote the arts, creativity, and vitality in and for our community.

President Kincaid read a proclamation proclaiming the week of May 7 - 12, 2018 as Economic Development Week in the City of Eau Claire, and encouraging and reminding citizens to recognize the importance of this profession in creating vibrant cities.

LICENSING

The City Council considered a resolution granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Temporary Class B Wine license to UW-Eau Claire Alumni Association, Sarah French, President, on May 14, 2018, at the Pablo Center at the Confluence, 128 Graham Avenue, for the Business After Hours event. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Xiong and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

CDBG & HOME PROGRAMS

Council Member Emmanuelle entered Council Chambers.

The City Council considered a resolution approving the 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Grant Funding appropriations. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Berge “to adopt the resolution.”

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to amend” by reallocating \$5,000 from the Historic Loan Program to The Community Table. Discussion was held. Council Member Emmanuelle withdrew the motion.

A vote was then taken “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

GRANT

The City Council considered a resolution accepting and appropriating a Site Assessment Grant from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) for the former Fabick Cat property located at 1211 Menomonie Street. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Strobel “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ENCROACHMENT

The City Council considered a resolution granting a permanent encroachment to Brent Douglas Flowers along the 600 Block of South Barstow Street for the “Barstow Street Gardens.” Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Weld “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP

The City Council considered a resolution approving a Certified Survey Map with right-of-way dedication for 202 Mt. Washington Avenue (File CSM-2-18). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Xiong and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

AGREEMENTS

The City Council considered a resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Eau Claire and the Chippewa Valley Pickleball Club. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Berge “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

LOW-INCOME TRANSIT FARES

The City Council considered a resolution accepting the plan to provide reduced bus fares for low-income people and directing the City Manager to prepare an amendment to the Schedule of Fees and Licenses establishing low-income transit fares. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to adopt the resolution.”

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Werthmann to “substitute the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote. The complete motion is on file in the City Clerk’s Office.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to amend the resolution” by adding the following BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED clause:

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Eau Claire that the City Council requests the City Manager work with youth-serving,

educational, and civic organizations to explore reducing K-12 student fares to zero and funding this goal in partnership with the city beginning January 1, 2019; report back to the City Council by August 21, 2018; and consider this for inclusion in the recommended 2019 budget, along with any other requested service modifications.”

Said “motion to amend” failed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Berge, Emmanuelle, Gragert and Werthmann. Nay: Council Members Christopherson, Kincaid, Strobel, Weld and Xiong.

A vote was then taken “to adopt the resolution as substituted.” Said motion passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Berge, Christopherson, Emmanuelle, Gragert, Kincaid, Weld, Werthmann and Xiong. Nay: Council Member Strobel.

CITY HALL

The City Council considered a resolution postponed from the April 24, 2018 Council meeting authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Lease Agreement with 2020 TAMBO LLC for a temporary relocation of City Hall to 2020 Prairie Lane during renovations.

On April 24, 2018 a motion was offered by Council Member Berge and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” The resolution was amended on April 24, 2018 by adding the following BE IT RESOLVED clause: “BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Eau Claire that pursuant to City Code Section 2.08.010 A., the location of any and all City Council meetings, as can be accommodated by Eau Claire County, be held in the County Board Room of the Eau Claire County Courthouse during the time that City Hall is relocated for renovations.”

Discussion continued at the current meeting with additional information provided by City staff.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Weld and seconded by Council Member Strobel, due to new information received, “to amend the resolution” by removing the directive that City Council meetings be held at the Eau Claire County Board Room. Said motion passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Christopherson, Kincaid, Strobel, Weld and Xiong. Nay: Council Members Berge, Emmanuelle, Gragert and Werthmann.

Discussion was held. Council President Kincaid suggested that the Council reconsider the prior motion and the Council agreed to reconsider.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Weld and seconded by Council Member Strobel “to reconsider” the prior motion. A vote was then taken on the “motion to amend the resolution” by removing the directive that City Council meetings be held at the Eau Claire County Board Room. Said motion failed by unanimous vote.

A vote was then taken “to adopt the resolution as amended on April 24, 2018.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property located on the north and south sides of Normandale Drive from TR-1A to R-2 (File Z-1626-18). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Strobel and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Xiong left Council Chambers.

ZONING

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance rezoning property located on the northwest corner of LaSalle Street and East Princeton Avenue from R-1A to R-1 (File Z-1627-18).

MOBILE FOOD VENDORS

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending the City Code of Ordinances relating to Restaurants, Sidewalk Cart Food Vendors and Mobile Food Establishments operating in the City of Eau Claire.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was offered by Council Member Strobel and seconded by Council Member Weld “that this meeting does now adjourn without objection.” Said motion passed by unanimous consent.

Adjournment: May 8, 2018

Time: 6:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Kerry J. S. Kincaid, President

/s/ Carrie L. Riepl, City Clerk